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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Information has been received from the MESSRS. ARTHUR & CO. that the objects being floated, targets, will take place on THURSDAY NEXT, the 22nd inst., between the hours of 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. All ships, junks, and other vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the range.

WINE & SPIRIT IMPORTERS.

CHAMPAGNE
LEMOINE
VIN BRUT
CUVEE ROYALE

We are sole Agents in China for the sale of this sparkling wine.

It is supplied regularly to the households of H.R.H. The Prince of Wales, H.R.H. The Duke of Edinburgh, to most of the leading Clubs in London and the provinces, and is also largely patronized at the military and naval stations at home and abroad.

It is a Champagne of the highest character, absolutely natural, without "artificial" sweeteners or dyes, and is consequently recommended as a tonic of good wine.

For Case 1 doz. 422; per bottle 32.
For Case 2 doz. 422; per bottle 32.

TELEPHONE No. 60.

No. 22 & 24 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

ISSUE OF TABLES 250,000 SIX PER CENT. DEBENTURES.

(Part of an authorized issue of 1,000,000, of which 750,000 are reserved to pay off an existing mortgage.)

Interest payable Half-yearly by Warrants on 1st June and 1st December.

Principal due 1st June, 1910, but redeemable at any time after the 1st June, 1905, at the option of the Company or giving six months' notice.

THE SHANGHAI LAND INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

Incorporated under the Companies Ordinances (Hongkong) 1885 to 1886.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED..... £1,000,000
CAPITAL PAID UP..... £600,000

DIRECTORS:
JOHN GARDNER, Esq., Chairman.
HENRY BROWN, Esq.,
EDWARD JENNIS, Esq.,
ALFRED MURDOCH, Esq.,
JOHN WALTER, Esq.

AGENTS:
Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.

BANKERS:
THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

LEGAL ADVISER:
H. S. WILKINSON, Esq.

THE DIRECTORS OF THE SHANGHAI LAND INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, are prepared to receive applications for 250,000 of the above Debentures, which will be issued in the form of 100,000 of £25 each, and will be payable on the 1st of June, 1910, or at any time thereafter on giving six months' notice.

These debentures are part of the issue of the Company as a Land Investment and Land Mortgage Company.

There is an outstanding mortgage of £1,000,000 on the part of the Company's property in the Colony of Hongkong, which is secured by a mortgage of the land and buildings on the 2nd of April, 1890, and the £1,000,000 of the authorized issue of £1,000,000 will be used to pay off the mortgage.

The debentures will be issued in sums of £1,000, £500, and £100 each, in such proportions as may suit the convenience of applicants, making up the total of £1,000,000.

Forms of application may be obtained from the Company's Bankers or the Agents, and should be filled up and sent to the Company's Bankers, the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, or to the Agents, Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., at the same time as the debentures are applied for.

The form of debenture can be seen at the Office of the Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Shanghai, 5th May, 1890.

JUST ARRIVED, FOR SALE.

THE NEW Steam Winder and Enamelled Dial WATERBURY WATCH.

Series L—For Gentlemen, or large size. Series S—For Ladies, or small size.

Watches less than 40 years old, Jewelled, Dustproof, Keyless, with all the latest improvements. A perfect and accurate timekeeper; reliable, durable, and accurate.

Series B—The "Good old favourite," the best form of the original Waterbury; offered at the reduced price of £27.00 each.

Watches from Outlets to be accompanied with remittance.

"LAND WE LIVE IN" HOTEL, to his nephew SYDNEY SILVERMAN.

(b) From E. LYALL, Esq., permission to transfer the business of the "Land We Live In" Hotel, formerly carried on by C. N. ROBERTS, in house No. 17, Queen's Road Central, under the sign of the "HONGKONG HOTEL" to H. TUCKER.

H. TUCKER, Esq.,
H. E. WOODHOUSE,
Police Magistrate.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1890.

THE NATURAL MINERAL WATERS OF STATE VICHY SPRINGS.

Celebrated for Affections of the Kidneys, Gravel, Gout, Rheumatism, Diabetes, &c.

GRANDS-GRILLE—For the Liver, Biliary Organs, &c.

HOSPITAL—For Stomach Complaints, HAEMORRHOIDS—An excellent TABLE WATER.

INGHAM & ROYLE,
52, Park Lane, London, W.C.

And of all Chemists in Australia.
PAMPHLET ON APPLICATION.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1890.

FOR SINGAPORE, HAYRE, AND

(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, and BREMEN.)

THE STEAMSHIP

"AGLAI,"

Captain E. Christensen, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 27th inst., at 10 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

EMMEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1890.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

PAQUEBOTS POSTES FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE, AND

YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"CALEDONIAN,"

Captain Paul, will be despatched for the above Port on or about WEDNESDAY, the 21st inst., at 10 p.m.

G. DE CHAMPELUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1890.

BANK HOLIDAY.

In accordance with Ordinance No. 8 of 1875, the Undersigned Banks will be Closed for the Transaction of Public Business TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 19th inst., the day appointed in this Colony for the celebration of the anniversary of the Birthday of Her Majesty the Queen.

FOR THE CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA.

U. F. ROWLAND,
Manager, Hongkong.

FOR THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

FOR THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

FOR THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Manager.

FOR THE COMPTE NATIONAL D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

L. GLENAT,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1890.

THEATRE ROYAL.

WEDNESDAY, 21st MAY, 1890.

RE-APPEARANCE OF THE

HUDSON'S SURPRISE PARTY

FOR ONE NIGHT ONLY.

Box Plan at KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

And Notice is also given that all such claims as to be sent in writing to the undersigned, prior to the 1st day of August, 1890, or notice will not be taken of them.

All Persons indebted to the Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated the 16th day of May, 1890.

JOHNSON, STOKES, & MASTER,
Solicitors in the Matter.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN THE Matter of the Estate of ALEXANDER STEWART, late Colonial Secretary of Victoria, Hongkong, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that His Honour the ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE has, by virtue of Section 8 of Ordinance No. 8 of 1870, made an Order to the 1st day of August, 1890, as the time for Creditors to send in their Claims against the Estate of the above named ALEXANDER STEWART, who died on the 29th day of September, 1889, in Victoria, Australia, and whose Estate is being administered by the undersigned, prior to the 1st day of August, 1890, or notice will not be taken of them.

All Persons indebted to the Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated the 14th day of May, 1890.

CALDWELL & WILKINSON,
Solicitors in the Matter.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN THE Matter of the Estate of FRANCISCO DE SA, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a Meeting of Directors held on the 29th January, 1890, a CALL of One Dollar per share (making in all Four Dollars per share) was made upon all the Members and that the same will be payable at No. 3, Beaconsfield Avenue, on the 31st day of May.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. A. BARRETT,
Secretary.

3 Beaconsfield Avenue,
Hongkong, 30th April, 1890.

THE HONGKONG MARINA, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a Meeting of Directors held on the 29th January, 1890, a CALL of One Dollar per share (making in all Three Dollars per share) was made upon all the Members and that the same will be payable at No. 3, Beaconsfield Avenue, on the 31st day of May.

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INTIMATIONS.

TAILORING DEPARTMENT.

WE are now showing in the above Department, a Large and Varied Assortment of

HIGH CLASS MATERIALS

for

GENTLEMEN'S SUMMER WEAR.

comprising—

Fine Dyed ANGOLA TWEEDS.

Fancy Striped Washing CASHMERE.

Striped & Check FLANNELS.

Twill CASHMERE COATINGS (a specialty).

TENNIS FLANNELS, in all Colors.

White and Navy Blue SERGES and CRICKETING FLANNELS.

HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

(Late The Hall & Holze & Co., Ltd.)

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BY APPOINTMENT.

A. S. WATSON & COMPANY, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

MANUFACTURERS OF ABRATED WATER.

OUR ABRATED WATER MANUFACTORY is replete with the latest machinery, embodying all the latest improvements in this trade.

The greatest attention has been paid to appliances for purifying the water supply, to such as we have fitted a Condenser capable of supplying with 3,000 gallons of distilled water a day, and in a position to compete in quality with the best English makers. Our Street Water cannot be surpassed anywhere.

The purest ingredients only are used, and the utmost care and cleanliness are exercised in the manufacture throughout.

LARGE BOTTLES OF "SODAS"

We continue to supply large bottles as heretofore, free of Extra Charge, to those of our Customers who prefer to have them to the others.

COAST PORT ORDERS, whenever practicable, are despatched by first steamer leaving after receipt of order.

Our Office, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is, "DISPENSARY, HONGKONG."

And all signed messages addressed thus will receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Water always kept ready in Stock—

PURE ABRATED WATER

SODA WATER

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No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty, or greasy, or that appear to have been used for any other purpose than that of containing ABRATED WATER, as such Bottles are never used again.

A. S. WATSON & CO. (LIMITED)

NO. 108 TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Only communications relating to the news columns should be addressed to "The Editor."

Correspondents are requested to forward their names and addresses with communications addressed to the Editor, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

All letters for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

Orders for extra copies of the Daily Press should be sent before 11 a.m. of the day of publication. After that hour the press is limited.

Telegraphic Address Press. Telephone No. 12.

BIRTH.

At Swatow, on the 18th May, the wife of Mr. H. H. Watson, of a daughter.

DEATH.

At Chester, Pa., U.S.A., on the 7th April, the wife of L. L. Ryan.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MAY 19th, 1930.

Some official statement with reference to the Money Order defalcations has been looked for with considerable interest. The Hon. F. Ryan gave notice at the last meeting of the Legislative Council of his intention to ask a question on the subject at the next meeting and His Excellency at once stated that defalcations had taken place, but he was at the time unable to give particulars. The case is undoubtedly a bad one, and its gravity, as affecting the Audit Office, is aggravated if it be true, as alleged, that attention was called to the unsatisfactory state of the accounts some years ago. At present, however, it does not lie with the commercial community to scold too much at the ways of officialdom. Two wrongs do not make a right, nor yet three, but with a couple of big bank frauds fresh in our recollection, and the fact that one of our most important public companies find its accounts in such a condition of disorder that it is unable to lay a statement before the shareholders, the non-official section of the community may not unreasonably feel somewhat more elated than usual of indulging in the amusement of throwing stones at the officials. Recent revelations have shown the existence of very reprehensible carelessness both in Government departments and in mercantile establishments. Defalcations by a Government servant, however, do strike one as a matter of somewhat greater gravity than similar defalcations outside. The departments are free from the stress of commercial life, no one connected with them is ever expected to be in a hurry, and there is supposed to be a beautiful system of audit by which the smallest error of account must be brought to light, even though it require the expenditure of means of thousands and miles of rail tape. That a Government servant should steal if he has the opportunity is no more surprising than that any one else should do the same thing, but it is a rude shock to find that all the elaborate arrangements to render such a thing impossible are useless, and that a man can go on committing a series of peculations extending over a number of years without ever being found out until it pleases him to take leave and remove himself beyond the jurisdiction. BARBADOS, we learn, has been arrested in Manila, and his extradition will be duly applied for. Who

ther it will be granted or not is a matter of some doubt, but in any case a very searching investigation is required into the question why his peculations were not discovered before they had reached anything like the amount they did. A man with a salary of \$150 a month is not supposed to be entrusted with the custody of large sums for lengthened periods. The case as it affects BARBADOS personally is a matter of much less public importance than the lamentable breakdown of the audit system, which ought to have rendered the commission of the crime impossible.

We trust that the whole of the numerous companies which have been formed in Hongkong during the last twelve or eighteen months may turn out flourishing concerns, but at the same time it would not be very surprising if some of them came to grief. At a time like the present, when additional calls are being advanced almost every week in one Company or another, and when there is very little money to meet them, it is as well that the liability of shareholders, past as well as present, should be borne in mind. In the brief report of a case connected with the winding up of the Rawang Company, which we reprint to-day from the Straits Times, there is mention made of "the B-list of contributors," which is a list of the members who, having ceased to be members of the Company within the year before the date of the winding up, still remain liable for calls on the shares which had not been paid up by the present shareholders. We merely call attention to the matter as a reminder to shareholders that their liability does not cease as soon as they have disposed of their shares—a fact which is no doubt well known, but the importance of which, judging from the carelessness which prevails with reference to the registration of transfers, is not very keenly appreciated. The period of one year, during which the liability of past shareholders continues, runs, not from the date at which the shares were disposed of, but the date of the registration of the transfer. The transferee is deemed to remain a holder of the shares until the name of the transferee is entered in the register book in respect thereof. One effect of the design of dealing in blank transfers therefore is that the person in whose name the shares stand in the Company's register remains legally subject to all the liabilities attaching to such shares even although he may have sold them years ago. In respect of old and well established companies the custom is not attended with any appreciable danger, while on the other hand it saves trouble and economies stamp duty, but in times like the present, with the scrip of so many new and non-dividend paying companies floating about the market with calls still due, the exercise of a little prudence on the part of sellers in seeing that their legal liability is not unnecessarily prolonged would not be misplaced.

There will be a game of Polo on the Racecourse at 5 p.m. to-morrow (Tuesday).

The Agents inform us that the M. M. steamer "Selat" will leave for Hongkong on Friday afternoon.

His Excellency the Acting Governor has directed that Monday, the 26th instant, being Whit Monday, shall be observed as a holiday in all the Government Departments.

To-day having been specially selected to be celebrated as Her Majesty's Birthday, which falls on the 24th inst., it will be no less the duty of the Hongkong Daily Press to-morrow. The Extra will be published as usual.

The Manila Governor says there is a probability of the Philippines being purchased by the King of Spain, which will facilitate the settlement of the dispute between the subscribers for that vessel and the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company.

As will be seen on reference to the Government report, it is somewhat disconcerted with the arrangements made for his comfort and general well-being. The other day he received a stroke for a breach of prison discipline, which was followed by a further stroke, and he was taken to the hospital in a few days, but this was the worst of a long series of attacks.

The Singapore Free Press of the 9th inst. says: "It is reported about this morning, but we do not know how much truth there is in it, that the late Governor, Sir John Peel, is about to leave for Hongkong on the 11th inst. on the same ship on which the steamer 'Glen' of the same Company struck in January last. The vessel cleared for Batavia on Tuesday, May 14th."

The Straits Times, in its issue of the 8th inst., refers to a certain paragraph in the report of the late Governor, Sir John Peel, which was published in the Singapore Free Press of the 7th inst. The paragraph in question is as follows: "The late Governor, Sir John Peel, was taken to the hospital on the 9th inst. on the same ship on which the steamer 'Glen' of the same Company struck in January last. The vessel cleared for Batavia on Tuesday, May 14th."

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THIS FIRST-CLASS HOTEL

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JAS. EDWARDS,
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PRIVATE BOARD & RESIDENCE.

MRS. FALCONER will have vacancies for Gentlemen Resident Boarders at Kowloon from 31st January.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1890. 7161

PEAK HOTEL & TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the **PEAK HOTEL & TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED**, will not on or after the last day of May, 1890, be answerable for or pay any Debts or Accounts unless the orders for the supplies be signed by the Secretary to the Company for the time being.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. W. HEBLEY,
Secretary.

Dated April 1st, 1890. 967

SINGAPORE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS for the Dividend declared at the Meeting held in Singapore on the 26th April last, are NOW READY for delivery. Hongkong Shareholders' please apply to the undersigned for same.

ADAMSON, BELL & CO.,
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THE
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Electrical Material on Sale or Hire.

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Hongkong, 1st December, 1888. 7629

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, one of the Company's Foremen should be at hand, orders for repairs if given to the Works Committee, No. 14, Prince of Wales Street, will receive prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersigned to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th August, 1897. | 33.

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NEW PICTURES OF LONGROSDALE AND THE COAST
Persons are always ready.
Hongkong, 7th April, 1890. [1897]

PORTLAND CEMENT
J. B. WHITE & SONS.
SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA,
HONGKONG & THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1893.

MAILS EXPECTED.
THE FRANCH MAIL.
The M. M. steamer CALADON, with the out-
ward French mail, left Saigon at noon on the
18th, for Hongkong and may be expected here
on about the 21st inst.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The P. M. steamer City of Rio de Janeiro,

Yokohama to-day and is due on the 23rd inst.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. steamer *Batavia* left Vancouver for Hongkong via Japan on the 11th inst.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The P. & O. steamer *Thaliet*, left Singapore on the 18th and is due about the 20th inst.

The C. N. C. Co's steamer *Nanchang*, left Singapore on the 18th and is due on the 20th inst.

The O. S. S. Co's steamer *Achilles*, left Singapore on the 14th and is due on the 20th inst.

The D. D. R. steamer *Electra* left Singapore on the 18th and is due on the 21st inst.

The Glen Line steamer *Glenishal* left Singapore on the 16th and is due on the 22nd inst.

The P. & O. steamer *Therion* left Bombay on the 15th inst.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

54. The authorized List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published on Monday the 20th inst. which is always corrected to a much later hour than that given below.

A MAIL WITH CROSS.

For Saigon.—Per *Gleancra*, to-day, the 19th inst., at 1.30 p.m.

For Amoy and Manila.—Per *Diamante*, to-day, the 19th inst., at 3.30 p.m.

For Swatow and Shanghai.—Per *Taitung*, to-morrow, the 20th inst., at 3.30 p.m.

For Kobe, Yokohama, and San Francisco.—Per *Cuba*, on Thursday, the 22nd inst., at 3.30 p.m.

For Straits and Bombay.—Per *Thaliet*, on Thursday, the 22nd inst., at 3.40 p.m.

For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, and Mel-

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.
The French Contract Packet *Océanien* will be despatched on **THURSDAY**, the 22nd inst, with Mail for the United Kingdom, Europe, and the West Indies, via *Marseilles*, to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, China, Madras, the Australian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mail Office.

The Post Office declines all responsibility for unregistered Cores containing Bank Notes, Coins, or Jewellery, and where Registration has been neglected, will make no enquiries into the alleged loss of such papers.

